

2009 "Honest Abe" Law Day Quiz
Answer Key

1. Lincoln was the first president to have served in both the Army and Navy. (Being Commander in Chief does not apply to this question.)

False

2. Lincoln was one of only three presidents to have signed the Declaration of Independence.

False

3. Lincoln was the only president to be awarded a patent.

True

4. Only two other Presidents were taller than Lincoln.

False

5. In delivering the Gettysburg Address, Lincoln stated, "a house divided against itself, cannot stand."

False

6. Lincoln proclaimed Thanksgiving a national holiday to be celebrated on the last Thursday in November.

True

7. Some medical detectives conjecture that Lincoln was a victim of Marfan syndrome, a connective tissue disorder.

True

8. During a debate, Lincoln's opponent accused Lincoln of being two faced. Lincoln replied, "I leave it to my audience: If I had two faces would I be wearing this one?"

True

9. Lincoln kept a cow on the White House grounds.

False

10. Lincoln once stated, "It's a small mind that can think of only one way to spell a word."

False

11. Regarding public speaking, Lincoln said, "Be sincere; be brief; be seated."

False

12. Lincoln was the first President to appear on a postage stamp.

False

13. Lincoln was the first President born outside the original 13 colonies.

True

14. Lincoln was the first president to be protected by a federally funded security force.

False

15. Prior to becoming president, Lincoln worked as a surveyor.

True